## HOUSE BILL 1290 By DeBerry L

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47, Chapter 18, Part 1, relative to consumer protection.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 47-18-104(b), is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:
  - (37) Refusing to accept the return of clothing or accessories sold at retail directly to the purchaser who seeks to return the same for any reason, within five (5) calendar days, for refund or credit; provided
    - (A) The purchaser presents satisfactory proof of purchase;
    - (B) The merchandise is, in no way, damaged and exhibits no sign of wear or cleaning;
    - (C) All tags and stickers affixed or attached to the merchandise at the time of sale remain affixed or attached at the time of return; and
    - (D) The sale of the merchandise was not marked, advertised or otherwise characterized as "final", "no return", "no refunds" or in any manner reasonably indicating that the merchandise would not be accepted for return.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.